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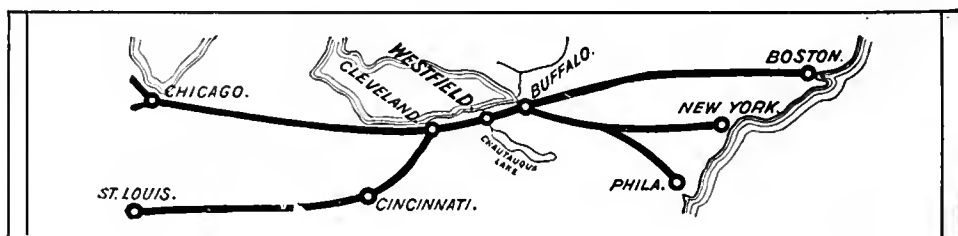
== The 20th Century Product ==



Westfield,

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New York



Blowers Blackberry



WITH the 20th Century came in Blowers Blackberry. Such fruit had never grown before with such large berries and enormous yield. This wonderful Blackberry is produced by the hundreds of bushels, netting thousands of dollars. Why are the Big Blowers Blackberry the best of the bunch and always on top? Because they are big, luscious, overshadow all others, never winterkill, are always in demand and are rich in quality and quantity.

Record of 2,740 qts. from 1-3 acre; 2,694 berries on a bush.
Record for 1907 from 31570 sq. ft., or less than 3-4 acre of land, 112 bushels of fruit.

The grocers of Jamestown gave \$4.80 per bushel crate, making \$537.60 worth of berries. This is at the rate of \$744.00 per acre.

In 1902 we made a statement that we would produce \$1,000 of berries from an acre. The past summer we produced more than \$500 worth from less than 3-4 acre. This was only 3 years after planting. We are just in training now. We desire to confess that we do not always prune properly. Sometimes we get a smashing record from young bushes and much less in proportion on older and larger ones. But we are making progress. Watch us for a few seasons and we will give you a record.

After 20 years experimenting we have at last found a good all-around Blackberry. It is now an article of commerce. Acres of bearing bushes, tons of fruit. Tens of thousands of roots for sale. Note what our testimonials say regarding marketing.

Origin

The origin of this delicious Blackberry is no secret. Not 5 miles from the Blowers homestead, the big shoot first appeared. It was in a garden under the historic cherry tree and 5 rods from the forest. The next year a profusion of beautiful white blossoms covered the bush and the promise of fruit was gradually fulfilled as the berries reached maturity. The neighbors were called to see this wonderful sight and they named it the "Unknown." It is still believed that a cherry-bird brought the seed from a neighboring forest. The Blowers Blackberry is a strong grower and it is one of the easiest to produce. Strawberries and raspberries at the best will yield not longer than from 2 to 10 years, while Blackberries will bear fruit a generation. Neglect will not kill or stunt them. Some let the bushes run wild at will, simply using the scythe to keep out the tall weeds.

Mr. J. Franklin Moore who has successfully grown our Blackberry here, and has now removed to Dover, Delaware, writes: "No one here believes the pictures you print are so." "You may book my order for 5,000 plants."

BASKET OF BLOWERS BLACKBERRIES



*Reproduced from Box Picking, Aug. 10, 1906.
27 berries filled the box level. There are 40 berries in this box.
The berries were not selected. This photograph shows average size.*

You will allow gamblers in wheat and grain to get your money. You invest in mines on paper, and help to boom new western towns that never grow. We ask you, who have land, to invest in that which will increase the value of your property and also give a good profit. Not stock on paper, nor city lots by a diagram, but the real thing. We ask you to buy plants of the big Blowers Blackberry, the best of all.

Blowers Blackberry for Wine and Medicinal Purposes

There are 100 wine cellars between Buffalo and Erie; an average of one for every mile of the distance. Nearly all these cellars have had grape juice labeled blackberry wine. The pure food law, which went into effect Oct. 1, 1907, makes it a crime to use a label which is not true. The Blowers Blackberry is the true fruit for making wine or brandy for medicinal use.

As the thermometer registers the degree of temperature, and the milk guage the quality of milk; there is an instrument which just as accurately tests the quality of any fruit. The Wine Companys, G. E. Rykman, Dr. Davis, Fuller & Skinner, Randall & Co., Brocton Wine Co. and others, have applied the test to Blowers Blackberry and can assure you it is of superior quality.

For canning, just enough acid to make a sprightly flavor, "retaining its fine form and flavor to a remarkable degree." Ask S. W. Persons, David House, P. Z. Ellis, A Knight, F. A. Pratt, J. V. Minton, Simonds Bakery, Misses Toles & Watson of Westfield; W. B. Mead, Portland; Dr. B. H. Putnam, North East.

Hardiness

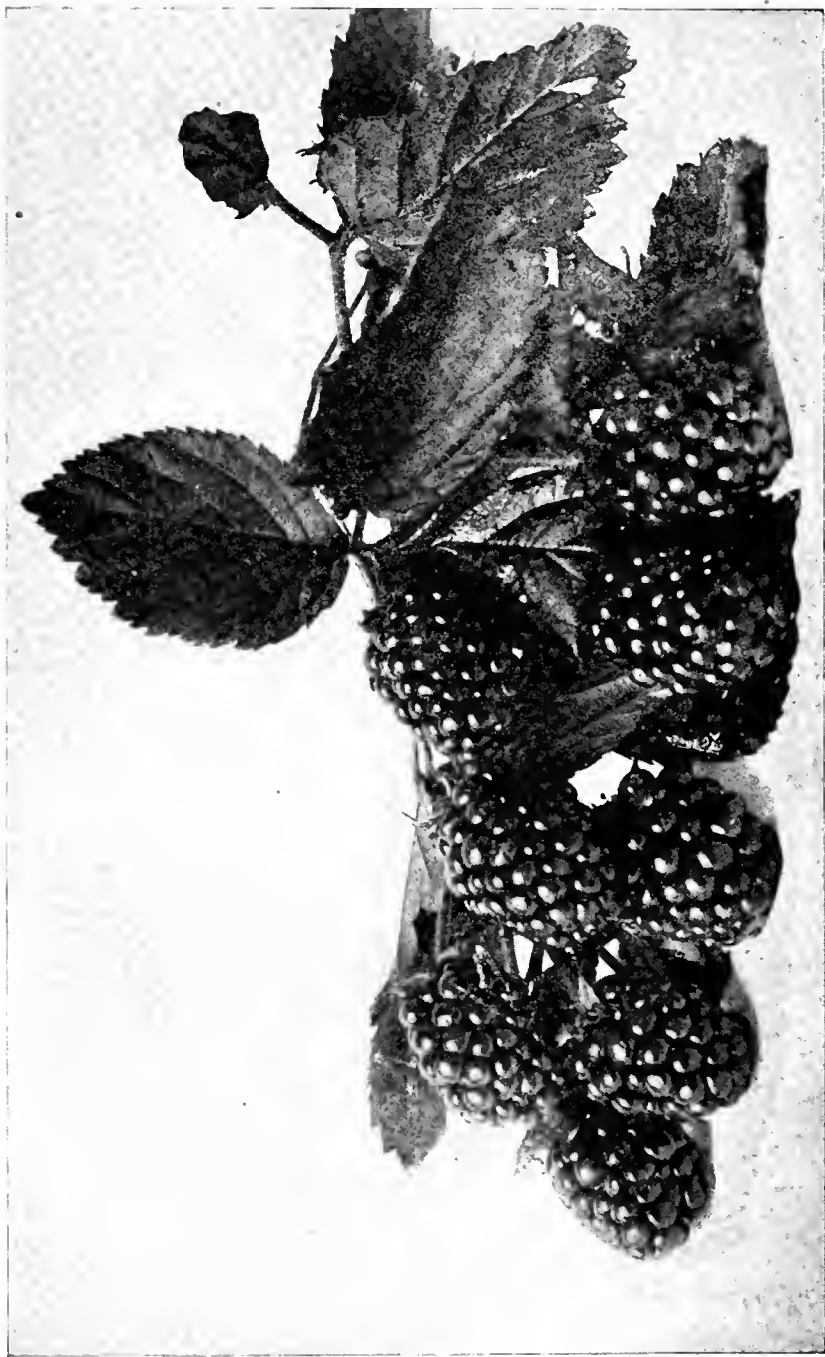
The Summer of 1902, following the severest Winter ever known, we harvested 2,240 qts. from 1-3 acre. No damage from cold. Why? Because the wood matured in the cold weather and the northern exposure prevented too early starting in February and March, then the zero weather of latter March did no damage. In another field, which we supposed no weather would effect, everything was frozen to the ground. This was in a protected hollow; the reflection in March started the buds and the zero weather did the rest. We harvested practically no fruit, although at planting we thought the hollow was all right. This proves that a northern exposure is best for Blackberries. Plant where the sun will not reflect in February or March. So far, with us, the greatest damage has been in the latter part of March, after the buds have started.

Distance Apart to Plant

After 10 years experience we settled on about the following distances: Rows 8 ft. apart, 3 ft. in row. This takes about 1,800 plants to the acre. 9 and 10 ft. is a waste of ground, and at 5 to 6 ft. the branches interfere. Garden culture rows, 5 to 7 ft., 1 to 3 ft. in the row.

Training

Some people are successful with no trellis, but for convenience and to insure against damage by high winds, this support is preferable. Posts about 4 ft. long, cross arms 15 to 20 inches. Grape wire stapeled at each end of this cross-arm and running both sides of the row. No tying is necessary. This gives a chance to cultivate thoroughly and often. Begin cultivating early and continue through the picking season. Any good mulch is proper through harvest. This is necessary in a locality where there



Branch of Blowers Blackberries.

are no dews, as it both conserves moisture and adds fertilizer. The trellis will also help keep the snow from breaking bushes in Winter.

Pruning

Thousands of successful vineyardists prune practically alike. But no two blackberry growers agree as to the method of pruning. Just the number of buds and length of cane to cut is a matter not yet fully proved. No strong bearing canes should be removed, only the ends cut off. SUMMER PRUNING. When the growing shoots are from 3 to 4 ft. high, we pinch off the tips of the canes, making them branch. As laterals grow, more than one-half of them will need retipping. This should be done while the plants are still tender, before the knife is needed. Thus the plants grow stocky, with the bearing branches as near the ground as practical. As soon as fruit is harvested, cut out and burn all last year's wood. The season of ripening is from July 25th until frost; the bulk of the crop maturing in the month of August. The yield in Sept. and October depends upon the season; very few in October. We have had blossoms and ripe fruit in November.

Testimonials

Portland, N. Y., Feb. 20, 1908.

Have handled Blowers Blackberry for several years, principally in Jamestown, N. Y., and they sell 2 cents per quart above any other blackberry on appearance alone. As yet they have not been produced in sufficient quantities to supply more than the native county, but there is no question but they would be in as great demand in any market as the home market, for while the large size will sell the fruit, the quality is most excellent and always creates the desire for more. I have handled grapes in car lots for fifteen years and in my opinion these blackberries can be handled in the same way as soon as the amount of production will warrant it.

W. B. MEAD,

Westfield, N. Y., February 22, 1908.

I purchased the Moore Farm at Forsyth, N. Y., on which was about three-quarters of an acre of Blowers Blackberries which I contemplated taking out but at last let them stand and the crop of 1907 netted about \$90—being the first crop. I am pleased with the result.

F. W. CRANDALL.

I have sold the Blowers Blackberry for years and want all I can get of you for 1908. I never have enough for my trade, as they are the largest and greatest seller on the market to-day. I can get 10 to 25 per cent. more for them on their appearance alone.

ED. ROOSA.

I have sold the Blowers Blackberry on the Erie Market for two seasons, could always get from 2 to 3c per quart more for them than for other varieties, I could make quick sale and sure profit. The Best Blackberry I have ever sold. Have been in the market for years, never saw the equal of Blowers Blackberry. I hope fruit growers will plant them so I can get all I can sell.

E. E. DOWLER, Erie, Pa.

Fredonia, N. Y., December 19,

H. W. Blowers, Esq., Westfield, N. Y.

My Dear Sir:—At the County Fair last fall in Dunkirk, N. Y., I saw a sample blackberry bush, known as I believe the "Blowers Blackberry," something over thirteen feet high and loaded with the most delicious fruit I ever saw. It was a surprise both in the size of bush and berry, as well as quantity and quality of fruit, as I had never seen or heard of any that approached this display. In my opinion it will absorb all other varieties, and it should on its merits. I will send you an order for Spring setting.

Very respectfully,
JOHN S. LAMBERT, Supreme Court Judge.



*Showing Blowers Blackberry canes
14 feet high*

Mr. Crawford, of Horticultural fame, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, says:

The Blowers Blackberries had been bearing about a month, and all others on the place were gone. I found several rows in a town lot, supported on a very high trellis. It appeared as if the crop had just commenced to ripen, for there was one of the largest crops in sight that I ever saw, and I have been familiar with blackberries all my life. From near the ground to a height of ten feet, the trellis was full of berries, many of them ripe, many red and many green ones not yet commencing to turn red. The man in charge told me that the crop would not all be gone until Oct. and I had no reason to doubt his words. Some weeks latter the owner wrote me that he was still picking berries. Although carrying such a tremendous crop, the bushes seemed to be perfectly healthy. In two other gardens, and in a large plantation in a field, the same green, healthy appearance was observed. It was the same with a plantation growing from root cuttings. It too, was perfectly healthy.

From all I was able to learn, the variety has never been winter killed. One man who had a short row in his garden for his own use, informed me that he had fruited it for seven consecutive years, and he never knew of its failing. He said that if he had known of its value when he first obtained it, he might have made a fortune. I believe he has never sold any fruit or plants. I saw the place where the original plant came up, and less than half a rod of ground is still occupied with the variety, which supplies the family with fruit. I was particular to ascertain if it was perfectly hardy, for we have so many excellent varieties that lack only hardiness. As far as I could learn, no one has seen it injured by cold weather.

Now, as to the fruit, it is very large and very good. I have seen larger berries, but not this year. Some weeks before I went to see the Blowers, I saw a plantation of the Eldorado and Rathbun in great perfection, and neither was as large as the Blowers. I have, however, seen specimens of the Rathbun as large or larger, than the Blowers. It is large enough, and at the same time appears to be perfectly hardy, which cannot be said of any large variety that has been tested in this climate.

The quality of Blowers is among the best. It has just enough acidity to give it a sprightly flavor, but when dead ripe the acid disappears without leaving a suggestion of bitterness, and the fruit simply melts away in the mouth.

The season is very long, giving perhaps three or four weeks picking after all others are gone.

P R I C E S

25c each. \$1.50 per doz. \$4.50 per 100. \$35.00 per 1000

We warrant stock true to name, with the special understanding that should any not prove so, cash will be refunded, or stock replaced with that which is true, but are not liable for damage other than herein named. Boxing and packing at cost.

Shipping directions should accompany all orders. When delivered at railroad station or express office, our responsibility ceases.

TERMS CASH, except by special arrangement. Remit by Express, Postoffice Money Order, or N. Y. Draft.

Prices subject to change without notice.

Our references are—The Commercial Agencies, The National Bank of Westfield and the Westfield Republican.

H. W. BLOWERS, Westfield, N. Y.

Nurseryman, Grapevine Specialist.

BLOWERS BLACKBERRY

THE 20th CENTURY PRODUCT



"Blowers Black Berry in Blossom"



Root Cutting Plant Showing Blossom and Fruit, Planted May 1st.
Dug December 5th, with snow on the ground.

Blowers Big Black Berry

Biggest and Best Blackberry of the Bunch.

Strongest Grower—Prolific—Best Quality—Large—Hardy—Late.
Fourteen feet and 1 inch extreme height. 2694 berries on one bush.

The greatest fruit discovered in recent years. We intend to plant yearly several acres for our own fruiting. Is the Blowers **TOO GOOD** or too profitable for you and me?

Since several plots in our fruiting field are to be used for building purposes, we have, therefore, over three tons of root pieces from these fields to grow root cutting plants for 1913. This is therefore fruiting stock from the best berry field in the world. We make the price right.

If you want to make money, let us sell you Blowers Big Black Berry.
ORDER NOW.

Colored Plate (without our name) 2 cents each, per 100, \$1.00.

Circulars, 4 page (without our name) 1 cents each, per 100, 50 cents.

Circulars, 4 page (your name and card), per 100, \$4.25.

Large electrotype (see circulars) \$1.00, medium size, 75 cents.

Transplants, per 100, \$2.80.

No. 1 R. C. Plants per 100 \$2.40. Per 1000 \$20.00.

No. 2 R. C. Plants per 100 \$1.50. Per 1000 \$12.50.

Sucker plants. Per 1000 \$15.00.

H. W. BLOWERS,

NURSEYMAN,

WESTFIELD, - - - NEW YORK.

SPECIALTIES:

Blowers Blackberry.

Concord Grape Roots.

H. W. BLOWERS, Westfield, N. Y.

Phones 94-B and 1-10-X

WHOLESALE PRICE LIST

Concord Grape and Blowers Blackberry Roots

Because of certain advantages of capital, culture, cuttings, cellar, soil and surroundings, our stock is produced cheaper than others, therefore we do not propose to be undersold by any reliable firm. Our vines and plants are grown on pure gravel (we gave them plenty of space to grow) and we had the best growth we ever produced or ever saw. Our fields are rich soil. Our vines and plants are big.

Our foreman, L. L. Starkweather, has been with us 25 years. We can rely upon him.

FACILITIES—Storage, grading, packing and delivery facilities are unsurpassed. Our office is only one-half minute walk from Express and Post Office. Our new cement cellar, heat proof, frost proof and ventilated, furnishes best conditions for keeping stock without change from October till June. Big cement cellar, Elm Street, Westfield, N. Y., and West Portland, N. Y.

GRADE—Standard. We guarantee better than some people's and O. K.

WE HAVE GROWN GRAPE VINES 38 YEARS.

GRAPEVINES

Our two-year-old and No. 2 one year and two year Concord are fine. Send a list of wants. We can fill same right. Inside track on Blowers Blackberry and Concord Grape Roots.

	1-Year No. 1 Per 100	Per 1000	2-Years No. 1 Per 1000
AGAWAM, (Rogers' No. 15)	\$3.00	\$25.00	
CATAWBA	3.00	20.00	
CONCORD	3.00	14.00	\$16.00
DELAWARE	4.00	30.00	35.00
MOORE'S EARLY	4.00	22.00	40.00
NIAGARA	4.00	18.00	24.00
WORDEN	4.00	20.00	30.00

SMALL FRUIT PLANTS

	Per 1000	Per 100
BLOWERS BLACKBERRY—For description see separate folder, etc.,	\$25.00	\$3.00
BLACKBERRIES—Snyder, Eldorado, Lucretia, Dewberry, Iceberg	14.00	1.50
CURRENTS—Wilder, North Star, Victoria, White Grape, Cherry, Fay's		
Prolific, 1-Year No. 1,		3.00
STRAWBERRIES—Michael's Early, Wm. Belt, Sample, Haverland,	3.00	
Pride of Michigan, 100 Dollar, Lovett Excelsior,	4.00	.50

List of Cuts For Sale

\$1.00 EACH

Spray of Blowers Blackberries.
Blowers Blackberry Bushes in Blossom.
Leaf and Three Berries.
Cultivating Blowers Blackberries.
Cultivating Fruit in Field.
Root Cutting Plant Showing Blossom and Fruit.

\$1.25 EACH

Branch of Blowers Blackberries.
Basket of Fruit.
Showing Blackberry Bushes 14 ft. tall.
Field of Fruit.
Digging Blackberry Roots.
Digging Grape Roots.

Never any diseases known in Chautauqua County Grapes or Blackberries.

State of New York, Department of Agriculture—Certificate of Inspection of Nursery Stock

This is to certify that the stock in the nursery of H. W. Blowers, Westfield, N. Y., County of Chautauqua, State of New York, was duly examined in compliance with the provisions of Section 305 of the Agricultural Law, and was found to be apparently free from any contagious or infectious disease or diseases, or the San Jose Scale or other dangerously injurious insect pest or pests.

R. A. PEARSON, Com. of Agriculture.

No. 35. Dated, Albany, N. Y., Oct., 9, 1910. This certificate expires Sept. 1, '11.

WE WARRANT STOCK true to name, with the special understanding that should any not prove so, cash will be refunded, or stock replaced with that which is true, but are not liable for damage other than herein named. Boxing and packing at cost.

SHIPPING DIRECTIONS should accompany all orders. American and National Express Co.'s, Chautauqua Traction Co., Buffalo and Erie Traction Co., Lake Shore & Michigan Southern R. R., Nickel Plate R. R., Jamestown Chautauqua & Lake Erie R. R. When delivered at the railroad station or express office, our responsibility ceases. We reserve the right to fill

orders for one-year-old vines with two-year-old stock of same size when consistent with stock. **TERMS CASH**, except by special arrangement. Remit by Express, Postoffice Money Order or N. Y. Draft to H. W. BLOWERS, Westfield, N. Y.

NOTE—Prices subject to change without further notice.

OUR REFERENCES ARE—The Commercial Agencies, The National Bank, The Citizens Bank, The Welch Grape Juice Co., and The Westfield Republican, of Westfield.

NOTE—We make a Specialty of No. 2 Concord Vineyard Grape Vines.

H. W. BLOWERS, Westfield, N. Y.

WRITE US.

Our price on Concord Grape Roots cannot be beaten by any reliable grower.

We have planted 1,000,000 Concord Grape Cuttings yearly for twenty years. We Want your order. No better stock in the world





Cultivating Fruit in Field.



Root Cutting Plant showing Blossom and Fruit. Dug December 5th, with snow on ground.



Digging Blackberry Roots.

Blowers Big Black Berries

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TRADE MARK & PAT. OFF. RICHMOND, N. Y.

BLOWERS. Strongest Grower, Prolific. Best Quality. Large, Hardy, Late.

H. W. BLOWERS, Nurseryman
Westfield, New York

